

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 3 January 2007 at 6:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Douglas Bennett and Michael Kopko and Whiting Willauer. Catherine Flanagan Stover was absent. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Announcements. Transportation Planner Mike Burns gave an update on the Pleasant Street Roundabout Project. He then gave an update on addressing concerns related to Japanese knotweed and other invasive species as related to Town bike path projects, noting that corrective efforts are underway.

Chairman Willauer announced the Nantucket Anglers Club's two-day boating skills and seamanship course free to youths twelve to sixteen years old (January 7 and January 21, 2007).

Chairman Willauer announced a public forum on erosion to be held by the Nantucket Civic League at the high school cafeteria on Monday, January 8, 2007.

Public Comment. None.

Approval of Minutes of 27 December 2006 at 6:00 PM, 20 December 2006 at 6:00 PM, 19 December 2006 at 9:00 AM, 14 December 2006 at 1:00 PM, 13 December 2006 at 6:00 PM and 13 December 2006 at 12:30 PM. Mr. Kopko asked to continue the approval of the minutes of 14 December 2007. The Board unanimously consented to do so and to approve the remainder of the minutes.

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 31 December 2006. The Board unanimously consented to approve the payroll warrant.

Approval of Pending Contracts for Week Ending 3 January 2007. The Board unanimously approved the pending contracts.

Citizen/Departmental Requests.

1. Nantucket Preservation Trust: Request for Execution of Preservation Restriction for Premises Located at 4 Winter Street (Coffin School). Town Administrator Libby Gibson provided an introduction. Mr. Kopko moved to approve and execute the preservation restriction finding that it is in the public interest to do so. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

2. Building Department: Request for Confirmation of Fee Schedule. Ms. Gibson provided background information, noting this is a housekeeping item to confirm the existing schedules. Mr. Kopko moved to confirm the fee schedule. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

3. Parks and Recreation Department: Action on Revised Fee Schedule. Ms. Gibson introduced the matter and recommended the Board formally adopt the fees as per the recommendation of the Park and Recreation Commission, which held the requisite public hearing. Park and Recreation Director Jimmy Manchester provided the commission's reasons for increasing fees and establishing new ones. Mr. Kopko shared his concerns about increases that may be prohibitive to

certain organizations. Discussion followed on the fees and the maintenance needs and associated costs of the use of Town-owned properties for fundraising or other non-public purposes. Mr. Kopko moved to approve the revised fee schedule. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

Town Administrator's Report.

1. Departmental Overview: Visitor Services. Kate Hamilton, Director of Visitor Services, gave a presentation of the department, reviewing its history, budget and the hours of operation. She gave an overview of activity and staff, visitor statistics and the department's website and then noted specific projects, public service campaigns and future challenges. The Board thanked Ms. Hamilton for her presentation and discussion followed on the importance of communication regarding restaurants being open from Daffodil Weekend through New Year's Day.

2. Citizen Request for Assent to Land Court Petition with Regard to Property Located at 65 Hummock Pond Road as Described on Plan No. 14973 (as approved by County Commission on 27 December 2006). Ms. Gibson reviewed the item, noting a concurrent assent by the Town concerning the roadway layout is being sought. Mr. Kopko moved to approve the request. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

3. Review of Board of Selectmen's Meeting Schedule for January, February, March. Ms. Gibson reviewed upcoming agenda items, noting regular and various workshop meetings in conjunction with timelines for the budget and Annual Town Meeting.

Selectmen's Reports/Comment.

1. Dissolution of Automobile Limitations Study Committee, Sewer Advisory Committee. Mr. Kopko moved to formally dissolve the Automobile Limitations Study Committee and to continue the matter of dissolution of the Sewer Advisory Committee until January 10, 2007 to allow that committee to finalize its work. Mr. Chadwick seconded. So voted unanimously.

2. Appointment to Finance Committee. Chairman Willauer reviewed the need to acquire a majority of votes by a candidate (Chris Perry, Matthew Mulcahy and Peter Morrison) to be appointed. Mr. Kopko voted for Mr. Morrison. Mr. Bennett, Mr. Chadwick and Chairman Willauer voted for Mr. Mulcahy who was appointed to fill the term ending June 30, 2008.

3. Adoption of Final Draft of Nantucket and Madaket Harbors Plan. Mr. Kopko suggested scheduling a public hearing on this item on January 17, 2007, to which the Board consented.

4. Action on Comments to Department of Environmental Protection Regarding Chapter 91 Waterways License Application of Great Harbor Yacht Club. Chairman Willauer sequentially reviewed a draft letter to Massachusetts DEP. Discussion followed on the specifics of the letter, including the definition of "water-dependent uses" and the receipt of a letter from the Nantucket Land Council pertaining to comments on the GHYC application. Sarah Alger, attorney for Great Harbor Yacht Club, renewed her objection to Chairman Willauer's participation in the proceedings. Chairman Willauer responded, noting he would not be recusing himself. Ms. Alger inquired as to the accuracy of information in the draft letter. Duncan Fogg read a prepared statement regarding

the importance of keeping the travel lift. Ms. Alger commented on property ownership issues regarding the "triangle" parcel of land. Discussion followed. Moncure Chatfield-Taylor commented on the travel lift versus use of a crane for hauling boats. GHYC Attorney Ed Woll commented about ownership of the triangle and the delayed objection voiced by the Town and then the issue of the crane use. Mr. Chatfield-Taylor made a suggestion on the public use of the travel lift/crane. Mr. Chadwick asked for addition of language for 20% of the boat slips to be provided by GHYC for use by the public and Mr. Fogg spoke in support of public access.

Dan Drake asked about the impact of the floating piers and movement of the moorings on the eelgrass and shellfish beds. The Board consented to review the letter again once revisions are incorporated, at its meeting on January 8, 2007.

Wind Farm Matter. Mr. Bennett announced a federal Minerals Management Services meeting next week and asked the Board to consider sending a letter regarding the review of alternate sites off the southern coast of Nantucket for wind energy ventures. The Board agreed to take the letter under advisement and vote on it on January 9, 2007.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Approved the 17th day of January 2007.